

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

December 3, 2002 – 4:00 P.M.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment with Commissioners Kvasager, Murphy, Wood, Malm and Triplett present.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2002 meeting. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Triplett, to approve the order of the agenda. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda: approval of employee status changes, approval of overtime, approval of Veterans Service Officer report, approval of County Deed to Brent Schmitz, approval of bills as submitted by the County Auditor as follows: Check #15766 thru Check #15902 in the amount of \$272,627.50. All accounts payable are on file in the County Auditor's Office. Motion carried.

Judge Debbie Kleven administered the Oath of Office to Commissioners William Murphy, Robert Wood and Gary Malm.

Richard Onstad, Highway Superintendent, addressed the board. Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm to set Tuesday, February 4, 2003, at 1:30 pm for Annual Bid Letting for Dragline Excavation, Gravel & Class 43 Aggregate and Materials & Supplies. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve revised contract with Upper Midwest Conservation Association for renovation of Statue. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to approve the application for abatement from Douglas Cannady, on Pt of the NW ¼ NE1/4, Arvilla Township, to reduce the 2001 True and Full Value from \$63,236 to \$42,000.00, and the 2000 True and Full Value from \$87,054 to \$42,000.00 as recommended by the Director of Tax Equalization. Motion carried

Moved by Wood, seconded by Malm, to approve the application for abatement from Carlyle Ness, on Lots 14, 16, 18 & 20, Arvilla Village, to reduce the 2001 and 2000 True and Full Value from \$21,716 to \$1,800.00, as recommended by the Director of Tax Equalization. Motion carried

Moved by Malm, seconded by Wood, to approve the application for abatement from Bradley & Beth Ness, on Pt of the NW ¼, Section 34, 150-52, Fairfield Township, to reduce the 2002 True and Full Value from \$193,700 to \$185,000.00, as recommended by the Director of Tax Equalization. Motion carried

Moved by Malm, seconded by Triplett, to approve increase starting pay for all correction officers to \$9.07 per hour. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Murphy, to approve the realignment of the NDSU Extension Office and all position classifications as completed by Maximus. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy, to approve the contract with Maximus to perform a salary study for the County. A copy of the contract is on file at the County Auditor's Office. Motion carried.

Ed Nierode, Director of Administration, handed out a request from a citizen to review a court decision. The Board directed the County States Attorney to write a letter to the individual explaining the background of the case.

Hans Jehle, Fort Distributors, addressed the board and explained road stabilization product that his company distributes. The Board directed Mr. Jehle to come back in the spring to look at County Road 18 to see if this product would work on that road.

Moved by Malm, Seconded by Triplett, to appoint Ed Neirode and Keith Berger as Grand Forks County HIPAA Privacy Officers. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Malm, to receive and file a letter from Department of Veterans Service. Motion carried.

Chairman Kvasager directed Ed Nierode to invite the new Director of Northeast Human Services to the next board meeting on December 17, 2002.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Wood, to adjourn. Motion carried. The next meeting will be December 17, 2002 at 4:00 P.M.

Arvin Kvasager, Chairman
Grand Forks County Commission

James Brownlee, County Auditor

Grand Forks County Building Authority President Malm called Grand Forks County Building Authority to order.

Commissioner Wood tenure his resignation as a member of the Grand Forks County Building Authority. President Malm accepted the resignation contingent on a legal opinion from the County States Attorney is to if a commissioner can resign from the Building Authority.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Murphy to approve a contract for Errors and Omissions Insurance policy as soon as one is received from the County Insurance carrier. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to approve a resolution providing for the public sale of \$2,850,000 Grand Forks Building Authority Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2002. The President and Secretary will sign resolution as soon as insurance is received. A copy of the resolution is attached to the minutes and is on file at the County Auditor's Office. Motion carried.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Kvasager, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Gary Malm, President
Grand Forks County Building Authority

James Brownlee, Secretary